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1. FOLLOWING IS AN UPDATE OF THE NWC GROUP 14 VISIT TO
THAILAND, APRIL 19 TO 23:

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19
1755 - ARRIVE BANGKOK AIRPORT VIA MH 824. CONTROL OFFICERS,
MAJ. BURT SPERRY AND FSO HANK HENDRICKSON WILL MEET AND
ASSIST.
THURSDAY, APRIL 20
0830 - MEET WITH AMBASSADOR WHITEHOUSE AND SENIOR EMBASSY
OFFICERS.
1000 - DEPART EMBASSY FOR THAI INTERNAL SECURITY
OPERATIONS COMMAND (ISOC).
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1030 - ISOC BRIEFING.
1200 - LUNCH AT DOWNTOWN THAI RESTAURANT.
1500 - BRIEFING AT THAI MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.
1930 - DINNER HOSTED BY DCM O'DONOHUE.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21
0830 - JUSMAG BRIEFING ON SECURITY ASSISTANCE

PROGRAM.

0930 - DISCUSSIONS WITH EMBASSY POLITICAL OFFICERS.

1030 -

1500 - FREE TIME.

1500 - DEPART FOR AIRPORT.

1630 - DEPART FOR CHIANG MAI VIA THAI AIRWAYS 102.

1730 - ARRIVE CHIANG MAI. CONSUL TANNER TO ARRANGE

FRIDAY EVENING DINNER AND SATURDAY MORNING BRIEFINGS.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

1815 - DEPART CHIANG MAI VIA THAI AIRWAYS 112.

1915 - EVENING FREE UNTIL DEPARTURE AT 0250 (SUNDAY MORNING).

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

0115 - DEPART FOR AIRPORT.

0250 - DEPART BANGKOK VIA PA 001.

2. DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF (SUPREME COMMAND HQTRS) GENERAL SAIYUT KOETPHON IS EXPECTED TO PRESENT THE BRIEFING ON THE RTG'S COUNTERINSURGENCY PROGRAMS AT ISOC ON THURSDAY MORNING (APRIL 20). MFA BRIEFERS (THURSDAY AFTERNOON) MAY INCLUDE UNDER-SECRETARY ARUN PANUPONG AND DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE POLITICAL DEPARTMENT OWAT SUTHIWATNARUPHUT.

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3. CONSUL TANNER IS ARRANGING A PROGRAM IN CHIANG MAI THAT WILL FOCUS ON DEVELOPMENTAL ISSUES AND THE STATUS OF THE INSURGENCY IN NORTHERN THAILAND PRIMARILY. IF THE NWC GROUP IS INTERESTED, THE BRIEFING CAN BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE THE NARCOTICS SITUATION, A MAJOR CONCERN OF THE CONSULATE IN CHAING MAI, AND OF THE MISSION AS A WHOLE.

4. NWC STUDY GROUP WILL HAVE FURTHER OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS MATTERS OF INTEREST WITH MILITARY AND CIVILIAN OFFICIALS AS WELL AS "NON-GOVERNMENTAL" THAI AT INFORMAL DINNER TO BE HOSTED BY DCM APRIL 20.
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